Mr. Bowie moved that the reading of the petition be dispensed THURSDAY, February 7th, 1856.

Which was rejected by yeas and nays as follows: Present at the call of the roll the following The House met. AFFIRMATIVE. members:

Sudler, Neff, Waters, Wilson, of Calvert, Stone, Chileoat, Rankin, Cullings, Heath, Roberts, Daniel, Dail, Frazier, Thomas, Stubbs, Miller, Brooke, Bowie, Bowling, Rolph, Parker, Smith, of Worcester, Davis, Carper, Grove, Duvall, Jarrett, Silver, Stack, Partridge, Abbott, Valiant, Lester, Hugg, Askew, Harrington, Witmer, Reichard, Lough-ridge, Hall, Tower, Kildow, Frey, Brown, Smith, of Carroll, Messrs. Speaker, Buffington, Stewart, Rowles.

The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Carper presented a memorial of George Brown and others, Trustees for the Holders of Bonds of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, issued under the provisions of the Act to provide for the completion of the canal to Cumberland;

Which was referred to the committee on Internal Improvements; egbinguod

Mr. Dail presented a petition from citizens of Dorchester county praying the Legislature for the passage of a law authorizing the county commissioners to levy a sum of money to pay for the completion of the bridge over Slaughter creek in said county; list

Which was referred to the Dorchester county delegation Sat I

Also a petition from eitizens of Dorchester county praying the passage of a law to regulate the compensation of the State's Attorney in Dorchester county;

Which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary. very and

Mr. Sudler presented a petition of 41 citizens of Kent county asking that the law regulating the granting of licenses in said county, may not be disturbed;

Which was referred to the committee on Colored Population.

Also presented a memorial in regard to free negroes and slaves in Kent county; ou H

Which was referred to the committee on Ways and Means.

Also presented a petition signed by sundry citizens of said county for a special police force;

Which was referred to the committee on Colored Population.

Mr. Cullings presented a memorial from Andrew B. Cross praying the legislature to pass an act for the protection of young women in the convents of the State.